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9 A.M. Zoom

Present: Jamie Stanfield, Rebecca Powell, Damon Franke, Ken Zantow Kalyn Lamey, Lin Agler, Wei Wu, Bridgette Davis, Vincenzo Mistretta, Xiaodong, Patrick, Tom Rishel

1.0 Call to order

Motion: Zantow and Seconded by Wu

2.0 Approval of the agenda

Motion Lamey and Seconded by: Agler

3.0 Program: None

4.0 Officer reports

President: Aquila housing GCFC minutes now-transparency important. Easterday took lead on this. Those present agree this is valuable.

GP Reorg 2.5G: New hiring committee for Senior Associate Vice President for Coastal Operations (13 applicants) Application deadline 12/1 (concern that university announcement absent for the opening of this position (Lamey))

Meetings with provost by faculty in each school regarding GP Reorg 2.5G

Zantow: met with his dean-discussions of obtaining a director, working on school documents

Davis: Left with additional questions after meeting with dean. Dean told Education there will be a budget review Oct. 2021 and not moving until 7/2022

Agler: Asked about Education and Human Sciences not existing in GP Reorg 2.5G- supposed to happen July 1, 2020. Open to idea of retaining these schools after Reorg (dean and provost) GP faculty to work with Hattiesburg faculty to teach on Coast. (Few to no details on submitting proposal for Psych.)

Lamey: College of Arts and Sciences: Need director, proposals (multiple meetings with dean)

Xiaodong: concerned that we do not have the ability to support the proposed 5k students by 2030. GEC farmed out to community colleges is not helping GC budget and numbers

Powell: What role will GCFC have in Reorg 2.5? We will need a central message.

Zantow: we need all GP faculty to work together on the Coast. GCFC operate to work with schools and impact of Reorg. And how these will look after

Rishel: GCFC can play role of advocacy. Speaks with more authority than a particular school. What does that require if us? Constant communication as this process moves forward, keeping track of documents, plans and proposals

Franke: Wants numbers for efficiency models-perhaps ask this to be shared (what was shared so far is in Teams)

Rishel: Helios-shows models for each school via graphs, provides good data (not everyone has access) What "numbers" do we want? There are 187k sets of numbers.

Recruitment constraints: historically, Hattiesburg responsibility, not the GC and this seems counterproductive.

Not allowed to recruit from local high schools

No real recruitment plan we can all access-decentralized recruiting from various schools

Wu: recruitment for grads and undergrads different-takes money to pay grad. students to gain experience at GCRL

Future framework for GCFC to look at: How can we continue to offer GEC courses? Need for clarity on the University College idea for GEC courses. Lift constraints on recruitment-create a recruitment plan, offer diversity in classes

Agler: GP autonomy discussion with provost-we do not want it at our demise (Powell)-unanimous agreement here!

Zantow: autonomy is within school (or that is the desire)-schools must assess success, possibly recruit

Rishell: from a budgetary standpoint, Computer Science on the Coast is bringing in a good deal of money

5.0 Old business

Patrick: COVID an online courses-approval at program level for now to have a class online-does not need to go through Academic Council

An entire program going online will need to go through the approval process with Academic Council

6.0 New business

Continue to try and create platforms about what will be offered and what GCFC will advocate for.

Rishell: Provost here on Wednesdays currently-should select GCFC talk with him about plans and share ideas? Yes. We will try to make a few appointments with him.

Lamey: Should we make a Teams collaboration station? We could think about something similar.

Deans on January programming? Yes. We need to hear what they are planning and timelines.

Agler: if deans cannot come, let's try and get a report of this from them to share with GCFC

Rishell: structure of agenda for inviting deans-may want to think of an issue-organized agenda-this allows for comparison and contrasts. Agree this is a Great suggestion.

Franke: Some data on efficiency as provided before but for campus-wide programs, incl. Hattiesburg and other Coastal sites-this is the data we want to see.

7.0 Next meeting: January 16, 2021

January meeting? Do we want to invite people (who are these people?) to create and share ideas and plans?

8.0 Announcements

9.0 Adjourn